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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting: Four Bears Motor Lodge
New Town, N.D. 58763
December 15, 1977
10:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Rose Crow Flies High, Chairperson, Sam Little Owl, Vice-Chairman,
Roy Bird Bear, Treasurer, Hazel Blake, Secretary, Eva Beaks,
John Stone, Sr., Tom Eagle, Jr.

OTHERS: Tillie Walker, Tribal Programs Manager, Paul Picotte, Tribal
Government, Aberdeen Area Office, Cletus Medicine Crow, Recorder.

TARDY: Austin Gillette & Larry Rush.

ABSENT: Wayne Packineau & Theodore Bird Bear.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M.
Opening prayer given by Tom Eagle, Jr.
Roll call - Quorum present.

Paul Picotte was granted the floor to explain the proposed amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes. This is in regard to the recent court order handed down by Judge Thomas Ewing, Tribal Court, directing the Tribal Council to call for an election to amend the Tribal Constitution to conform to the one-man one-vote principle.

Mr. Picotte went into lengthy detail explaining the proposed amendment. Hazel and Rose stated that they would like to discuss this with the whole Council before any decision is made.

Austin arrived at 11:20 A.M.

Mr. Picotte stated that he would like to have a three-man committee to work with in drawing up an amendment.

After further discussion on the proposed amendment, Sam moved to recess for lunch.

Recess had at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

Roll call - Quorum present.

PRESENT: Larry Rush arrived at the meeting.

OTHERS: Tillie Walker, Tribal Programs Manager, Jerry Nagel, Dale McGrady,
Linda Baker, Tribal Comptroller, Cletus Medicine Crow, Recorder.

The Secretary read the minutes from the December 14, 1977, meeting. On remarks, Roy stated that the minutes should reflect that Tom Mandan would be the Acting Comptroller while the position for a public accountant is being advertised. Austin and Hazel challenged Roy's statement. Roy stated that this was the intent of his motion at the last meeting, December 14, 1977.

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Eva moved to approve the minutes of December 14, 1977. Second by Larry Rush. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry, Sam. Eight in favor, none opposing, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

The Secretary read the minutes from the Human Resource Committee meeting held on December 13, 1977. Eva moved to approve, second by Tom. On remarks, Roy questioned the bill from the Utilities Commission. Roy stated that the Tribe should be reimbursed by the Housing Authority, PHS, and the Four Bears Complex. Tillie stated that maybe these agencies should be assessed a third of the cost of the bill. The Tribe will look into a means of paying this. Austin stated that Public Facilities should be tapped.

Vote on Eva's motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry. No: Sam. Seven in favor, one opposing, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

The Secretary read a letter from Alan Smith, Personnel Director, requesting that his Office Manager's salary be reinstated at \$8500, rather than the reduction to \$7500. Alan's letter stated his justification for his request. After lengthy discussion, Austin moved that this matter be tabled until the finalization of the Indirect Cost rate. Second by Tom. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

The Secretary read a resolution presented by the Museum Director, Burton Bell, requesting funding from the Indian Development Fund. Tom moved to approve, second by Austin. Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Res. 77-337.

The Secretary read a resolution on a request for reimbursement from the Tribe for the Museum for purchasing of bronze busts of noted Fort Berthold residents. Eva moved that Austin draw up a plan for reimbursement for the Museum from the Parks & Recreation fund. Second by Larry. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-338.

The Secretary read two resolutions presented by the Council. This is in regard to authority for distributing and picking up the Tribal mail. Eva moved to accept the second resolution. Second by Tom. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy. No: Larry & Sam. Six in favor, two opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-339.

The Secretary read a cover letter and a resolution presented by Austin in regard to the Golf Course near the Four Bears Complex. Austin moved to approve, second by Tom. Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry. No: Sam. Seven in favor, one opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-340.

The secretary read a letter from the Superintendent, Don Morgan, in regard to Tribal Resolution No. 77-318. This is the resolution pertaining to the fine set by ordinance for the shooting of elk. Austin moved to approve the resolution and have it designated as Tribal Resolution No. 77-318a. Second by Tom. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

The secretary read a letter from John Fredericks, Jr., requesting a contribution from the Tribe on Tulsa National Finals Rodeo expenses. No action was taken on this request.

Rosalie Bird Bear's loan application. Tom moved to approve the loan, second by John. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

Sam presented his request for a wage assignment. Roy stated that some sort of a net salary has to be set for Tribal Council Members. After further discussion, Sam withdrew his request.

Cletus reads resolution No. 77-341. This is a resolution presented by EDA relative to EDA Project No. 05-01-01454. Tom moves to approve, second by John. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry. Abstaining: Sam. Six in favor, one opposing, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

The Secretary reads a resolution presented by Tillie Walker. This is in regard to follow-up health procedures from IHS on mental health patients. Eva moved to approve, second by Tom. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposing, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-342.

Secretary reads a resolution pertaining to the proposed division of interest on Public Facility funds from Docket 350-F, among the five Segments of the Reservation. Hazel moves to approve, second by Larry. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-343.

The Secretary reads a resolution on the use of Tribal Credit Cards. Austin moves to approve, second by Hazel. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting. This is Resolution No. 77-344. On remarks, Tillie states that as of January 1, 1978, Reservation Telephone was not going to renew the credit cards.

Hazel turns documents from State CETA over to Rose for signature.

The Secretary reads a resolution pertaining to the purchase of CHR vehicles for the CHR Program. Jim Foote, Jr., is called into the meeting. Jim stated that the maintenance of the vehicles would be no problem for the Program. Sam stated that his Community was not in favor of purchasing these vehicles, and would he would have to vote "no." Sam moves to table this matter, second by Larry. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Roy, Larry, Sam. No: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John. Three in favor, five opposing, motion defeated. Eva moves to approve the resolution. Second by Hazel. Vote on motion: Roll

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call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry. No: Sam. Seven in favor, one opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.
This is Resolution No. 77-345.

The Secretary reads a resolution pertaining to Twin Buttes School District No. 37. Austin moves to approve, second by Tom. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Eight in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.
This is Resolution No. 77-346.

The Secretary reads a resolution pertaining to the Tribal Associate Judges. Larry moves to table this matter, second by Eva. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Roy, Larry, Sam. No: Austin. Abstaining: John. Six in favor, one opposing, one abstention, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

John reads an inventory list of a building in Twin Buttes. Tom moved that the list be turned over to the Property & Supply Officer to have this inventory distributed according to his guidelines. Second by John. On remarks, Hazel stated that some of this inventory should be awarded to the proposed foster home to be located at the Four Bears Village.

Jerry Nagel arrived at 3:45 P.M.

Vote on Tom's motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Tom, Austin, John, Roy, Larry. No: Sam. Seven in favor, one opposing, motion carried. Chairperson not voting.

Rose states that she requested Jerry to be present at this meeting to present his final report on the 93-638 Grant. Jerry stated that he would give a copy to Hazel. Jerry proceeded to explain his final report. There being no questions, Jerry left the meeting.

Hazel presented her request to the Council that Dale McGrady be appointed as Consultant to the Health Program to insure the proper completion of the Tribal Health Proposal. After lengthy discussion, Hazel moves to appoint Dale to this consultant position. Second by Eva. Vote on motion: Roll call vote: Yes: Hazel, Eva, Larry. No: Tom, Austin, John, Roy. Abstaining: Roy. Three in favor, four opposing, one abstention, motion was defeated. Chairperson not voting.

Hazel reads a memo to Rose Crow Flies High, Chairperson, from various members of the Tribal Business Council. Larry stated that Rose was appointed by the people of the Fort Berthold Reservation and they were the ones she was responsible to, not the names signed on the memo. Austin stated for the record that the other members of the Tribal Business Council were also elected by the enrolled members of the Fort Berthold Reservation, and that they were delegated to act in the best interest of the Tribe. Austin stated that some members of the Tribal Business Council are not following the Constitution and By-Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes by their conduct. Austin stated that "we" are not working for the people if "we" conduct ourselves in this way. Rose stated she was not accepting this memo. She was elected by the people, and she would act in their behalf. Rose also stated that she did not refuse to sign any documents, and that she had been ill. Rose stated that she did not sign one document, because Council action was needed on another budget.

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Tom stated that Rose's conduct was unbecoming of a Chairperson.

Rose adjourned the meeting.

Roy stated that he had other business which needed Council action. Roy stated he would like to set a budget meeting to discuss the status of the Tribal Budget. Roy verbally sets a meeting for Monday at 1:00 P.M.

Austin moves to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

ATTEST:

Hazel M. Blake

HAZEL M. BLAKE, Secretary, Tribal Business Council.